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SUBJECT: IMPORT REQUIREMENTS OUTLOOK FOR SOYBEANS

REF: STATE 172410

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING ESTIMATES FOR POLISH IMPORTS OF SOYBEANS AND SOY MEAL FROM ROLIMPEX, THE FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATION FOR AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.

POLISH IMPORTS FROM THE U.S. FROM OCTOBER 1975 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1976:

SOYBEANS, 77,000 M/T PRESUMED VALUE OF \$16.3 MILLION

SOY MEAL, 414,300 M/T PRESUMED VALUE OF \$79.56 MILLION.

ESTIMATED POLISH IMPORTS FOR 1976/1977:

SOYBEANS, 85,000 M/T

SOY MEAL, 400,000 M/T

2. ROLIMPEX SOURCES HAVE INITIALLY STATED THAT A 15 PERCENT OR 30 PERCENT CHANGE IN PRICE WOULD NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT THE SIZE OF POLISH PURCHASES SINCE THESE ESTIMATES REPRESENT THE GOVERNMENTS QUANTITATIVE ASSESSMENT OF IMPORT NEEDS. WE TEND TO QUESTION THIS ASSUMPTION, HOWEVER. A 30 PERCENT INCREASE WOULD MEAN AN INCREASE IN POLAND'S IMPORT BILL OF ABOUT \$24 MILLION IF PURCHASES WERE NOT REDUCED; GIVEN POLAND'S CURRENT TRADE DEFICIT, WE ARE NOT SURE THAT SUCH AN INCREASE WOULD REQUIRE AUTOMATIC APPROVAL. WE HAVE ASKED OTHER SOURCES MORE KNOWLEDGEABLE OF THE INTER-RELATIONSHIP

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BETWEEN IMPORT NEEDS AND FINANCIAL LIMITATIONS TO GIVE US

THEIR BEST ESTIMATE OF THE IMPACT OF SUCH A PRICE INCREASE.

3. POLAND IS ALSO EXPECTED TO BUY QUANTITIES OF SOY BEANS AND  
MEAL IN BRAZIL.  
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